

The Standish Monument Association was incorporated in 1872 with the goal of erecting a monument to Myles Standish.

Listed below is a partial list of the contents of the Standish Monument Association file . The file has not been digitized but is physically housed in the hard copy Duxbury File.

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- f: 1 Copy of Chapter 5 of *Historic Duxbury in Plymouth County* by Laurence Bradford.
- f: 2 Copy of portrait of Alden Frink, designer of monument, with notes signed D.W. (Dorothy Wentworth), Town Historian. Original at DRHS.
- f: 3 Copy of design submissions and sketches by monument architect Alden Frink, whose office at that time was at 50 Bromfield Street, Boston. Magnifications of some. Original at DRHS. 7 pages.
- f: 4 Copy of *Standish Monument: Exercises at the Consecration*. Original in History Room, also at DRHS.
- f: 5 Copy of *Laying the Cornerstone*.
- f: 6 Copy of both sides of ticket for benefit of Standish Monument Association and enlargement of ticket with drawing.
- f: 7 Copy of specifications for furnishing the granite for monument.
- f: 8 Copy of photograph of "the incomplete Myles Standish Monument" printed in Duxbury Tercentenary Program, 1937.
- f: 9 Copy of historic article (probably June of 1889) reprinted in *Duxbury Clipper* of Dec. 26, 1963. Unidentified source.
- f:10 Dorothy Wentworth's notes on information about the hauling of granite for the monument. Notes dated 1974. Copy of *Duxbury Clipper* article containing a description of hauling the monument.
- f:11 Copy of *Duxbury in 1889 (From an old newspaper clipping)*. Describes completion of monument. Unidentified source.
- f:12 Copy of article describing arrival of the statue for the monument. Handwritten notes by Dorothy Wentworth indicate the year is 1889 and the month "probably June (to be set June 6.)" Unidentified source.
- f:13 Copies of newspaper article of 1889 describing the placement of the statue upon the monument.
- f:14 Copy of torn card with photo of the statue of Myles Standish and a poem titled *To Myles Standish Statue Before Being Placed in Position on the Monument at Captain's Hill, Duxbury, Mass. July 8, 1889*. Copyright 1907. Original at DHRS.
- f:15 Copy of fund raising letter for the bronze tablet. 15a Copy of Alden Frink's specifications for the tablet. 15b Copy of proposal.
- f:16 Copy of *Boston Daily Traveller* article of Aug. 8, 1893 with photos and description of monument. Enlargement of illustration.
- f:17 Enlargement of front and back of photo mounted on card stock. Had belonged to a descendent of Myles Standish.
- f:18 Reproduction of card and enlargement of early photos of monument.
- f:19 Copy of back of card from Pilgrim Hall files. Note: dimensions do not correspond to those in Laurence Bradford's book.
- f:20 Copy of newspaper article about damage by lightning August 26, 1922.
- f:21 Copy of *Boston Globe* article of August 27, 1922. Reports lightning strike which beheaded and severed right arm of statue. Reports extensive damage to monument.

Proof of disputed date.

- f:22 Copy of *Boston Globe* article of July 14, 1926. Sculptor John Horrigan finishes new head and chest of statue of Myles Standish. Enlargements of illustration. Contains error in date statue was damaged.
- f:23 Postcard views marketed by William B. Seach. Written information on the monument.
- f:24 Copies of photographs showing base of monument. Originals at DRHS.
- f:25 Copy of letter from Selectmen to Dr.. Reuben Peterson re deed to town from Standish Monument Association.
- f:26 Henry A. Fish notes as copied by Dorothy Wentworth. Water tank on hill referred to "facetiously, as Mrs. Standish."
- f:27 Copy of "Myles Standish Lost His Head on Captain's Hill", 1st article in series "Afoot on the South Shore With Willard deLue." *Boston Globe* article of February 21, 1954.
- f:28 Enlargement of photography in *Boston Globe*, May 23, 1961.
- f:29 Copy of newspaper article about water tank on Captain's Hill scheduled for demolition Sept. 11, 1972. Dated September, 1972. Unidentified source.
- f:30 Dorothy Wentworth notes dated August 24, 1976, about potential repairs to monument.
- f:31 Copy of article by Pat Barlow dated June 16, 1976, from *Duxbury Mirror*. Historic background and contemporary conditions.
- f:32 Copy of *Duxbury Clipper* article by The Rev. Canon Robert Merry dated Oct. 8, 1981 titled "Our Pilgrim Father Founder's Monument."
- f:33 Copy of *Patriot Ledger* article of June 14, 1984 by Barbara Polichetti about teacher urging state to repair and reopen closed monument.
- f:34 Reproductions of cards. Enlargements.